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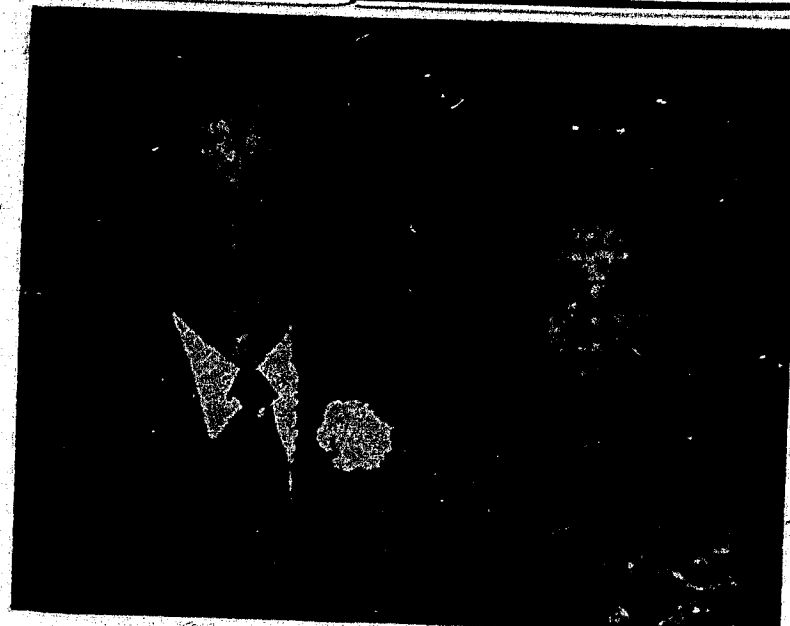
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MR. AND MRS. PERRY C. LAPHAM

LAPHAMS CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Over 70 friends of Mr and Mrs Perry Lapham gathered at the dining room of the Methodist Church Friday evening to honor them on their fiftieth wedding anniversary. A short program was presented which included a vocal duet by Mrs Ralph Berry and Miss Eugenia Haselton, with piano accompaniment by Mrs Robert York, during which a mock bridal party of children made an attractive scene; presentation of a gift from the W S C S and friends by Mrs Chasie Saunders; and a poem read by Mrs Robert York.

Gifts to the honored couple included a set of glassware from neighbors, sums of money from friends, Gould Academy employees, and the W S C S; a picture, electric clock and flowers from relatives. The program was followed by refreshments of punch, cookies and wedding cake. The happy event was planned by members of the W S C S.

Mr and Mrs Lapham were married at West Paris on May 7, 1898, and for some years were residents of Dixfield, Rumford and Woodstock. Most of the last 30 years have been spent in Bethel, where they purchased a home on Clark Street.

For many years Mr Lapham was employed in wood working mills locally and nearby, but for the past few years he has worked at Gould Academy. Since coming to Bethel, both Mr and Mrs Lapham have been very active in all affairs of the Methodist Church and the Sons of Union Veterans and Auxiliary.

CONNER—PICKERING
The wedding of Marjorie Lucy Pickering, daughter of Mr and Mrs Lewis Pickering of Meredith Center, N. H., and Harold Parker Conner, son of Mrs Norman Ford and Parker Conner of Bethel, took place at the Meredith Center Church on Saturday afternoon, May 1 at 2:30. The Rev George Junkins of Danbury, N. H., officiated using the double ring service.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of ivory satin with wide rose-point lace insertion. Her finger-tip veil was caught to a coronet of orange blossoms and she carried a bouquet of bride's roses.

As her sister's maid of honor, Miss Joyce M. Pickering wore an Alice-blue silk net gown with matching headpiece. She carried a bouquet of pink roses. The little sister of the groom, Mary Elizabeth Ford, wearing a blue net ankle length dress was train bearer. She wore a red rose corsage.

George Weeks, Jr., of Meredith was best man. Norman Ford of Bethel and Alvin Pickering of Plymouth, N. H., were ushers. Before the ceremony, Mrs Herbert B. Martin of Center Harbor sang "Because" with Daniel Smith of New Hampton at the organ.

The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a double string of pearls and to the best man a bill fold.

The church was profusely decorated with potted white lilies which were the gift of Mr and Mrs Doris Sallies of White Oaks Road, the Weirs, N. H.

A reception was held in the Grange Hall immediately following the ceremony. The wedding cake was made by Mrs George Chandler of Winslow. Norman Vallerie was the photographer. They received many lovely gifts.

There were guests from Maine and Massachusetts as well as Lac- onia, Tilton, Franklin, Plymouth and The Weirs besides friends neighbors, and relatives in Meredith and Meredith Center, N. H.

They will reside in Meredith Center for the present as Mr Conner is employed by W H Hiram Construction Co in Meredith.

SELDEN L. GROVER

Selden Lewis Grover was born in Bethel May 1, 1876, the son of Leander G Grover and Lydia Wheeler Grover. He was educated in Bethel schools. He was not married and had lived his entire life in the house where he was born. During the past several months as his health was gradually failing his brother, Channing, of Limington, had been faithfully caring for him and his interests.

On Wednesday, May 5, he was taken seriously ill and was removed to the Rumford Community Hospital where he passed away last Saturday evening. He is survived by one brother Channing, of Limington, and one sister, Mrs Wesley Wheeler of Bethel also a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon from the Greenleaf funeral home. Rev Elwin Wilson of Orono officiated. Burial was in Woodland Cemetery.

Those from out of town able to attend the funeral were: Mr and Mrs Jesse Doyen, South Portland; Mr and Mrs Everett Barlow, East Boothbay; Mr and Mrs Kendrick Grover, Limington; Mr and Mrs Forest Uman, Arlene and Donna Uman, Mr and Mrs Kenneth Grover, Mr and Mrs Lester Johnson and daughter, Jessie, all of Sanford; Mr and Mrs Leslie Lapham, Rumford and Rev and Mrs Elwin Wilson of Orono.

CROCKER—COOLIDGE

The marriage of Miss Barbara Joyce Coolidge, R. N., daughter of Mr and Mrs Wallace F Coolidge of Bethel to Roland F Crocker, son of Mrs Walter R Crocker of Providence, R. I., occurred Saturday, May 8, at the Congregational Church with the Rev Kingsley Hawthorne performing the double ring service.

The bride wore an ice blue suit with navy accessories and a corsage of red roses with split white carnations. Her maid of honor, Miss Josephine Simmons, R. N., of Augusta, wore a light blue suit with navy accessories and a corsage of yellow tea roses. The mothers wore navy with corsages of pink rose buds and split white carnations.

The best man was Albert Masse of Providence, R. I., and the ushers were Edgar A Coolidge, brother of the bride, and Shirley Gilbert. The bride's gift to the bridegroom was a portable radio and the bridegroom's gift to the bride was an ensemble pin.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in Garland Chapel. The guest book was in charge of Miss Alice Pierce, R. N., of Skowhegan. Mrs Gordon H Crocker of Cranston, R. I., and Mrs Walter A Crocker of Providence, R. I., sisters-in-law of the bridegroom, were in charge of the gift table.

Refreshments were served by Mrs Shirley Gilbert of West Bethel, Miss Geraldine Spulick of Suf- field, Conn., and Mrs Laurence Lord of Bethel.

After a honeymoon spent in New York City they will reside at 62 Itchenau Avenue, Providence, R. I.

Mrs Crocker is a graduate of Gould Academy and the Central Maine General Hospital School of Nursing, Lewiston.

Mr Crocker is a graduate of Central High School, Providence, and is a veteran of two and one-half years service in World War II.

MEXICO NINE HERE TUESDAY

On Tuesday at 3:30 the Gould ball club will be playing at home again after three games away. The Mexico Pintos will furnish the opposition and the game is scheduled for 3:30 p. m. It will be the first meeting of the two clubs this year.

ELEANOR GORDON GUILD 10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED WITH BANQUET LAST NIGHT

The Eleanor Gordon Guild celebrated its tenth anniversary with a Mother-Daughter banquet at the Hotel Sudbury Wednesday evening. The following program was enjoyed.

Invocation Mrs William Penner
Toast to Mothers Mrs Betty Blake
Vocal solo, The Old Refrain

Response Mrs Elizabeth Perry
Solo, Mrs Elizabeth Perry, accompanied by Mrs Eva Mitchell

Address Mrs Raymond Frank
Corsages were presented to the mothers and guests.

Present were Mrs Donald Christie, Miss Alice Capen, Mrs Fannie Carter, Mrs Wallace Saunders, Miss Gertrude Penner, Mrs William Penner, Mrs Eugene Norton and Mrs Raymond Frank of Weld, Mrs Ernest Blake, Mrs Rena Abbott of Rumford Point, Mrs William Roberts, Mrs Loring Roberts of Locke Mills, Mrs Elizabeth Perry and Mrs Eva Mitchell of Buckfield, Mrs Ernest Gallant, Mrs Richard Leighton, Mrs John Currier, Mrs Albert Sumner, Mrs Avery Angeline, Mrs Lewis Olson of Wilsons Mills, Mrs C Mallon Kimball, Mrs LaForest Kimball of Locke Mills, Mrs Esther Brown, Mrs Perry Lapham, Mrs Floyd Thurston, Mrs Wade Thurston, Mrs Everett Bean, Mrs Fern Jordan, Mrs Gary York, Mrs Leon Wilson, Mrs Grace Morrill, Miss Gracey Furman, Mrs Robert Keniston, Mrs Silas Keniston of West Paris, Mrs Daniel Forbes, Mrs Frank Lovell, Mrs H I Bean, Mrs Robert York, Mrs Mary Philbrick, Jane Strout, Mrs Norman Dock, Mrs Hannah Dock, Mrs Beulah Cragin of Westbrook, Mrs Malcolm Mundt, Mrs Ruth Dorion, Mrs Erlon Paine, Mrs Maurice Brooks, Mrs Clyde Brooks, Mrs J P Dunbar of Gorham, N. H., Mrs Akel Anderson, Mrs S S Greenleaf, Mrs Don Brown, Mrs Ada Sweeney of Errol, N. H., Mrs Stanley Brown, Mrs Helen Sprague, Mrs Rosecoe Swain, Mrs Robert Davis, Mrs Marion Kimball.

CONGREGATIONAL GUILD TO HOLD ANNUAL PICNIC MAY 26
The Guild held a work meeting Wednesday and a pot luck supper was served by Mrs Olive Lurvey, Mrs Katharine Adams and Mrs Robert Lord. Miss Helen Varner gave the devotion.

It was reported that the rummage and food sale May 1 had netted \$54.75 for rummage and \$25 for food. It was voted to give \$100 for the Congregational Committee for War Victims and Reconstruction.

Mrs K W Hawthorne was appointed to purchase new paper drapes for the dining room.

A handsome dolls' house, on which tickets will be sold at the summer fair, was on display. It was built by Loton Hutchinson and the lumber was donated by Gene Van. The following committees were appointed to decorate it: Living room, Mrs K W Hawthorne, Mrs Isaac Dyer 2nd, Mrs Louis Van; Kitchen, Mrs Harry Swift, Mrs Richard Waldron, Mrs Roy Moore; 1st Bedroom, Mrs Ernest Scothorne, Mrs Eugene Van, Mrs Frank Nary, 2nd Bedroom, Mrs Walter Tikander, Mrs G L Kneeland, Mrs Merton Conner; Bath, Mrs Kimball Ames, Mrs Errol Donahue, Mrs Laurence Lord, Tickets, Mrs Grace Macfarlane, Mrs Olive Lurvey, Mrs Addison Saunders.

The next meeting is May 26 and will be the annual picnic. It is to be held at Sango Pond. The committee is Mrs Charles Gorman, Mrs K W Hawthorne, Mrs Harry Kuzik and Mrs John Howe. It is a pot luck supper with hot dogs furnished and each member is asked to bring her own knife, fork, spoon, plate and mug. Those desiring transportation should be at the church at 8 p. m. Supper is at 8:30 o'clock. Mrs Ted Emery will have devotions.

LIONS TO OBSERVE LADIES' NIGHT JUNE 14

Shelton Noyes, Rumford lawyer, was the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Bethel Lions Club held Monday evening, and his topic was, World Citizenship. District Governor Edward Trus, Lions Carroll Davis and Howard Stoen, all of Beth, were also present. Peter Schutt and Chasie Saunders, who had spent the winter in Florida, were welcomed back.

It was announced that the final meeting of the season will be held June 14, when Ladies' Night will be observed. Margaret Chase Smith will be the guest speaker at that meeting.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

John P Howe is confined by illness. Chester Wheeler underwent surgery at Togus Wednesday.

Mrs Ada Tyler is spending some time with Mr and Mrs Arthur Morgan.

Miss Alice Pierce, R. N., of Skowhegan, was a week end guest of relatives in town.

Mrs Norris Brown returned home Wednesday after spending several weeks at Rumford.

Mrs Edna Smith is recovering from injuries received in a fall downstairs, recently.

Mr and Mrs Robert Clunie Jr. of Rockland visited friends in town during the week end.

Miss Jane Chapin, R. N., of Auburn, was a guest the past week of Mr and Mrs Charles Chapin.

Miss Carol Robertson, R. N., of Whitefield, N. H., was a week end guest of Mr and Mrs Ray York.

Captain Sidney Dyke and Mrs Dyke went to Bangor today to visit Mr and Mrs Eugene McNally.

Mrs Clara Austen of West Paris, spent a few days the past week with Mr and Mrs Ernest Scothorne.

Mr and Mrs Clayton Fossett and son Paul will spend the week end at their summer home at Pemaquid.

Mr and Mrs George Lathrop and daughter, Diane, have moved to their new home on the Mayville road.

Mrs Dana Brooks, Jr., and son, Jack Lane, returned home Saturday from the Rumford community hospital.

Miss Mary Tibbets of Smith College was a week end guest of her parents, Dr and Mrs Raymond R Tibbets.

Miss Mary Gibbs and Richard Woodcock, students at Bates College, were week end guests of Mrs Flora Anderson.

Mr and Mrs Syll LeClair, Mr and Mrs D Grover Brooks and Mr and Mrs Earl Williamson spent the week end at Orono.

Miss Barbara Moore, girls' athletic coach at Lawrence High School, Fairfield, spent the week end with her mother.

Mr and Mrs Reginald Roberts and family of Saugus, Mass., were week end guests of her parents, Mr and Mrs Frank Hunt.

Mr and Mrs Harold Conner of Meredith Center, N. H., spent the week end with his mother, Mrs Norman Ford and family.

Stanley Davis, John Greenleaf, and Eugene Van Den Kerckhove Jr., U of M students spent the week end with their parents here.

The Rev Kingsley Hawthorne attended the annual meeting of the Congregational Christian Conference of Maine at Calais last week.

Dr and Mrs O'Neil Robertson of Philadelphia, Pa., spent a few days the past week with his mother, Mrs Mabel Robertson, who returned home with them Friday for a visit.

Miss Margaret Ames of Wheelock College, Miss Priscilla Carver of Smith College and Charles Wiley of Amherst College spent the week end at the home of Mrs Ruth Carver Ames.

Those from Bethel who attended the annual auxiliary meeting of the Rumford community hospital, held at Rumford, Tuesday afternoon, were: Mrs Murray Thurston, Mrs Willard Boynton, Mrs John Matheson, Mrs Richard Young and Mrs John Howe.

A large crowd of men answered the emergency alarm late Sunday afternoon to search for Mrs Charles Knight of South Bethel who did not return home when expected after leaving to pick mayflowers the first of the afternoon. She came out of the woods while the search was going on.

Bonnie Ames is recovering from an operation for appendicitis at the Workman Hospital, Lincoln. She was taken ill while visiting with her mother, Mrs Rodney Ames, and sister, Lorraine, at the home of her grandparents at Wytopitlock. They expect to return to their home here the last of the week.

TIRRELL'S

Hot Dogs

Italian Sandwiches

Sorry to disappoint so many customers last Sunday. Will endeavor to have plenty in the future.

SEVENTH GRADE AT BOS HAS CURIOSITY SHOP

The seventh grade class of Bethel Grammar School presented a Curiosity Shop last Friday, May 7, in their room. There were interesting exhibits from Japan, China, Alaska, France Germany, England, Switzerland, Africa, the Philippines, Spain, Australia and many other far-away places. Four girls who were on the committee were dressed in Japanese and Chinese costumes and acted as hostesses. In the morning the fifth, sixth and eighth grades were invited in to see the exhibition. In the afternoon the parents and friends were invited. They were served punch and crackers.

Bethel Primary Pupils to Offer Musical Entertainment May 20

A musical entertainment, "Springtime," will be presented at Odeon Hall next Thursday evening, May 20, at 8 o'clock by the pupils of the Bethel Primary School. The program is directed by Mrs Beth Abbott, music supervisor.

Program
I Welcome Sweet Springtime
II Housing and Food Shortage
III Two Identical Twins
IV Strolling Thru the Park
V Wedding of the Painted Doll
VI Gloriana Ma Ca'line
VII Spring Visitors

Chorus: Ruth Murphy, Judith Freeman, Rachel Kneeland, Gloria Wilson, Glenyce Berry, Myrna Blake, Catherine Carver, Carla Swan, Grover, Barbara Reynolds, Carolyn Chadbourn.

Flowers: Betsy Chapman, Joan Roderick, Gummy Whitman, Leona La Valley, Connie Bean, Mickey Grover, Alice Blake, Patsy Jackson, Ann Brown, Mary Luxton, Dawn Christie, Charlene Philbrick, Carol York, Lee Grover, Jane Bennett, Joan Bennett, Pauline Lapham, Judy Van, Eva Morrill, Lillian Currier, Margaret Noyes, Myrna York, Caroline Sprague, Yvonne Baker.

Bears: Timmy Carter, Dana Gary Hagen, Rabbit: Kenneth Roberts, Mouse: Melvin Jodrey, Squirrel: Ann Carter, Turtle: Bobby Felt, Singers: Alberta Rugg, Lena LaValle, Dolores Lane, Twins: Audrey and Aubrey Daye, Young lady: Sandra Myers, Gentleman: Raymond Coulombe, Bride: Julie Reynolds, Groom: Mark Freeman, Minister: Roy Brown, Ring-bearer: Douglas Rice, Bridesmaids: Penny Davis, Pammy Young, Grace Currier, Barbara Sprague.

Flower Girls: Barbara Angevine, Beverly Blake, Best Man: Donald Angevine, Father: John Gunther, Gloriana May Ca'line Betty Lou York.

Spring: Roberta Bean
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GOULD TRACKSTERS WIN OVER GORHAM

Gorham's inexperienced tracksters who are just taking up the sport gave little opposition to Gould here last week as the home team ran away with the dual meet 85-5.

The visitors were able to score only a second in the discus and third places in the shot put and broad jump. Jerry Davis was high point man with 16 followed by Bob Adams and Dick Ireland with 11 each. Other first place winners for Gould were Stinchfield, Klain, Philbrick, Rines, and Hixcox. Browne tied with Davis and Adams for first place in the high jump.

C. M. P. FILES HIGHER RATES FOR SERVICES

Central Maine Power Company has filed with the Maine Public Utilities Commission a schedule of increases in rates for electric and gas service. "For many years the Company has consistently reduced its rates as conditions permitted, and for a period of more than 30 years no general rate advances have been made. However, substantial increases in the costs of fuel, materials, supplies municipal tax rates, payrolls and other operating expenses over the last few years have forced the Company to seek an increase in its rates at this time," W F Wyman, president of the Central Maine Power Company stated.

Under the schedule filed, all domestic, commercial, and general power rates would be affected. New rates for large industrial users are now being prepared and will be filed in the near future. The total amount of the increase for all classes of customers for which new rates have been filed amounts to \$1,143,000 annually. With minor exceptions all of the Company's residential, rural and farm customers would be increased one to one and one-half cents a day for electric service. Commercial and industrial customers would also be affected by the proposed schedule. The total increase in revenues under the new gas rates would approximate \$36,440 per year.

"Central Maine Power Company is one of the very few businesses which has not raised its prices since the end of the war. Greater revenues from the increased volume of business have, to some extent, made this possible up to now," Mr Wyman continued. "However, present revenues though the highest in the Company's history, no longer offset our increased costs and still leave enough to provide a reasonable return on the capital invested in the business."

An analysis of the Company's operating costs over the past five years shows: Coal advanced from \$6.59 to \$10.33 per ton. Oil advanced from \$1.65 to \$3.04 per barrel. State and municipal taxes advanced from \$1,207,353 to \$1,474,996.

Construction costs have likewise been affected with an increase of over 50%, thereby creating greater carrying charges on new plant investment.

"In the face of these higher costs, an increase in rates is necessary if the Company is to continue to meet additional demands and to maintain the high standard of service which it has established over the years," Mr Wyman concluded.

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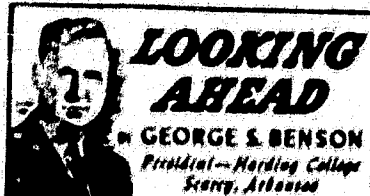
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LOOKING AHEAD
By GEORGE S. BENSON
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True or False?

"American business doesn't make enough profit." Do you think that statement is true or false? Many people haven't the vaguest idea. Some folks have been fed propaganda which seems to show at every turn that the main purpose of industry is to exploit the poor man. These persons are side-tracked into the wrong answer. Why should we ever forget that American business industry has itself done more than anything else to make the poor man rich? That is industry's goal!

There is one group, however, that is well acquainted with the fact that business in general does not make the profit it ought to make to keep our system going ahead safely. This group is made up of communist and socialist agitators, as well as fellow-travelers. They know our system depends upon honest profit incentives. The communist program in this country is planned around the fact that the average American industry does not make enough profit. They are counting on that.

On Taking Over

There is no short range program. It is long range. The communists do not believe that our industrial enterprises, on their present profit margins, can survive a temporary depression. These would-be dictators are strict believers in depression. They always count on taking over after the next "boom and bust."

What we must not fail to see is that our American system, if not held back, has the ability to triumph over economic setbacks. We always come back stronger than before. It is unfortunate that the general public sees industry as making exorbitant profits. Actually, most people do not know that industry's profit level is as low as it is. Take a specific industry for example. According to surveys, many think the steel industry takes for profit as much as 25 cents out of every dollar of sales. This is wrong as can be. During the five recent "boom" years, just 35 cents out of each dollar taken in by the steel industry was profit. And much of this 35 cents was "plowed back under."

Profit Means Jobs

We look upon steel as being the leader of our manufacturing industries. Steel is basic. It supplies the raw materials and semi-processed materials which are the chief need of manufacturing plants today. Our daily lives are conditioned by the place of steel in modern civilization. This is one reason why we should be concerned about the decline of profits shown by the steel industry, as a long term basis.

Why would the agitators like profits to be less? They would like to see the government "take over" any of our major industries. That would bring them a step nearer their own goal: "taking over." How has the profit of steel and other industries, despite big increases in sales, been kept so low? The main reasons: enormous operating costs and heavy taxation. Only a very large and efficiently managed industry could operate successfully under these conditions.

Steel, like other industries, requires constant reinvestment of new funds. Moreover, a large portion of profits have to be returned to the business. In 1944, when net income was about 35 cents per dollar of sales, about 25 cents was put back in the steel business. This left only 10 cents to be given to the owners and investors. It is easy to see that if industry is not allowed to make profits, our business cannot continue to make goods we need and offer jobs for all. Adequate profit is a blessing in disguise.

LOOKING AHEAD
By LOUIS WELBY



Dale Carnegie

"HOW TO WIN FRIENDS and INFLUENCE PEOPLE"

IT PAYS TO BE "A GOOD LISTENER"

HUBERT C. KELLEY, Saugus, Mass., says that once he was concerned only with his own affairs, his own welfare. He knew few interesting people; in fact there seemed few who suggested any interest. So he often had no one at all to talk to, and this left a void in his life. Naturally, he was often lonely.

Well, who hasn't at some time or other been lonely? Many people have never found the way out; some never will. And the latter are doomed to a lonely old age.

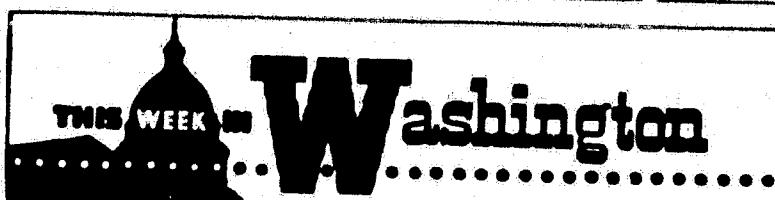
Here's the simple way Mr. Kelley rose above his situation.

There was a chap in his town whom we will call Hank. Hubert Kelley had known Hank all his life, or, rather, he had always seen him around, Hank looked like an interesting man but Hubert had never had a chance to verify this.

One day as Hubert entered a local diner, Hank was having his meal. He looked up at Hubert, nodded his head, and again attacked his food. And that had been the extent of their association indulged in by these two men for a period of ten years.

Hubert decided to find out if this man really had anything on the ball. He sat down beside him and made a couple of friendly remarks. Hank replied, but kept on plying himself with food. Undaunted, Hubert asked a direct question about something Hank could not but be interested in. By and by they were deep in conversation, obviously pleasing to Hank as well as to Hubert. Hubert was careful not to ask personal questions, nor to show a disposition to pry into Hank's private affairs. They remained there for nearly two hours, Hank becoming more and more voluble. Hubert decided that he, too, had been terribly lonely or he wouldn't be lapsing into such detail as made him almost garrulous. But he listened with interest, and he says he learned many interesting things, although he had little chance to discuss things in his own life that interested him.

From this conversation flowered a real friendship and Hubert says that he ever since has practiced the rule of "Be a good listener" and that he has lead a richer, fuller life because he has done so.



WITH THE BITTER STRUGGLE

over repeal of margin tax holding the spotlight, other important developments in the Washington scene included the under-cover and secret house ways and means committee sessions on the reciprocal trade agreements in the house and the consideration of minimum wage bills in the senate.

Of course the record of the Republicans in house and senate on the reciprocal trade policy has been in opposition to the trade agreement act and with the GOP in control of congress for the first time since these agreements have been in existence, there is an inclination on the part of many of the leaders to let the law die as of June 30 this year when it passes out of existence. There is another bloc which would merely extend the law for one more year instead of the customary three years and then there is still another group which would repeal the acts entirely and set up a Republican tariff act in place of the reciprocal agreements. Such action on the part of congress, however, would be in direct opposition to the bi-partisan foreign policy program. Under EUP, for instance, this country is imposing a policy of economic cooperation and reduction of trade barriers upon the countries of western Europe if they are to be recipients of benefits of the European Recovery Act.

Democrats in the house are loudly critical of the decision of the ways and means committee to hold these hearings in secret in direct disregard of the intentions of the congressional reorganization act which have secret committee meetings and they declare that to foster a program of reciprocal trade in the face of our foreign policy, behind closed doors is a "pretense of democratic principles."

Labor leaders are fearful that the bill introduced by Senator Hall of Minnesota which is now before the senate would not only lower the minimum wage but would narrow coverage of the fair labor standards act instead of expanding this act to bring more workers under its provisions.

The Hall bill narrows the definition of interstate commerce and would expand existing exemptions.

Washed Out

"(Hearty voice in haunted house): 'Get out, get out!'"

Man: "Where are you?" I can't see you."

Voices (murmur): "I know -- the sheets haven't come back from the laundry yet."

of workers in retail, service, food and processing establishments and to seamen and thus would exempt probably a million workers now covered by the minimum wage law instead of bringing more workers under the law. It would provide a sliding scale of minimum wages, fixing a minimum of 60 cents an hour with provisions for lifting it to 70 cents or lowering it to 50 cents at the discretion of industry committees. Ben. Elbert Thomas in the upper house and Congressman John McCormack in the lower house have a measure which would enable men who worked a 40-hour week to get a minimum of 75 cents an hour and would enlarge coverage of the law. The present minimum of 40 cents is of course obsolete, for most every worker receives more than that figure an hour, so far all practical purposes witnesses have told the senate committee, we have no minimum wage law.

WITH MEAT PRICES SOARING to new highs and with some cuts unobtainable at any price, department of agriculture officials are apprehensive of real meat famine within the next few months. They point out that the continued record demand for meat consumption and the excessive high prices have combined to bring even breeding stock onto the market to such an extent that the nation's reserves of beef, pork and sheep are rapidly nearing famine proportions.

Cattle numbers, for instance, dropped from 85.5 million head at the beginning of 1946 to 78.8 million head at the beginning of this year; hogs declined from 87.7 million head in 1944 to 85 million head in 1945 to 80.5 million head this year. Last January the department says stock sheep was actually the smallest since they began keeping records in 1867.

OBSERVERS HERE SAY that the Taft-Henderson-Wagner housing bill which passed the senate and which will total up a cost of some five billion dollars during the next five years, will be stymied in the house. The real estate lobbyists are set to make a last-ditch stand to prevent its passage. The same fate awaits, according to observers, the federal aid for education bill, also passed by the senate but being held up in the house committee.

FOR DRAFT AND UMY... James F. O'Neil, national commander of the American Legion (above) urged congress to approve an immediate draft, and universal military training. He said: "The blood shed by the U. S. is moving toward war at an accelerated pace."

"Should We Criticize or Condone?"



ABOVE THE HULLABALOO

by LYNN HULL

The Public's Right To Live
It seems almost unbelievable that one hundred and forty-five million innocent human beings should have to suffer every time four hundred thousand coal miners or two hundred thousand railroad workers feel they are getting a raw deal from their employers. Maybe they are! Maybe their working conditions are bad and their wages too low. Is that sufficient reason why American citizens should die from diseases contracted from the lack of the necessities of life? The coal strikes of the last few years have repeatedly caused the death from pneumonia, and other sicknesses, of thousands of Americans; and the inconvenience of all of us.

Why should this be possible in a law abiding country? It is because there are not positive laws to put a stop to such outrageous treatment of the people.

The law does not allow the owners of railroads to shut down their service because they are losing money or for any other reason. Even if the railroad becomes bankrupt it must still carry on its operating schedule. The people gave the railroad the right to operate on their domain; and they demand in turn the continuance of that operation. Why then should others who gain their livelihood from the public grant of right-of-way be allowed to harass the public for any reason whatsoever?

The coal underneath the ground is in the final analysis—the property of the people; as is the railroad right-of-way. If private operation of these "trusts" had been impossible, such public grants would never have been made in the first place.

There are various solutions for this impossible condition, but compulsory arbitration would seem the best where the public's welfare is at stake. A condition of employment in the public utilities should be the individual and group agreement to abide by the findings of a proper court of arbitration. A condition of the continued trusteeship of these public institutions should be the same. We are fools to allow ourselves to be maltreated by tiny groups of employees or employers. The right to strike in private industry is one of the cornerstones of our national foundation. But it is insane that this same privilege should apply to the public utilities.

your brain budget

- 1.—Haganah is (a) a city in Palestine; (b) an Arab rite; (c) the Jewish militia.
- 2.—During the recent coal strike, the United Mine Workers union was fined a total of (a) \$1,420,000; (b) \$4,120,000; (c) \$5,000,000.
- 3.—The Republican national convention will be held in June, at (a) Chicago, (b) New York, (c) Philadelphia.
- 4.—A melting pot bill that seeks to allow displaced Europeans to come to the United States was recently approved by a house committee and sent to the house for action. This bill would permit entrance of (a) 500,000 displaced persons; (b) 200,000 displaced persons; (c) 1,000,000 displaced persons.
- 5.—James V. Forrestal is (a) chief of staff to the President; (b) secretary of defense; (c) secretary of the navy.

ANSWERS

- 1.—(c) The Jewish militia.
- 2.—(a) Fined \$1,420,000.
- 3.—(c) At Philadelphia.
- 4.—(b) 200,000 displaced persons.
- 5.—(b) Secretary of defense.

Laff of the Week



"It all started when my son traded a cow for some bean seeds."



YOUTHFUL FRENCHMAN LEARNS NEW GAME... Jean Francois Jouis, one of the ten children from France, Italy and Greece who were brought here as official ambassadors for the 26-in-1 appeals for the children of Europe and Asia, gets a few pointers in the game of baseball from Mel Ott, manager of the New York Giants. Jean's dad helped the first American paratroopers when they landed in France during the war.

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Surveying the Candidates—

MacARTHUR—a soldier who will accept



These studies of General MacArthur and his wife, the former Jean Faircloth, were made when they attended a Philippine Independence Day celebration. The General, possibly with memories of the war still fresh, is shown in a pensive mood.

BORN—in 1880 on a military reservation at Little Rock, Ark. **PARENTS**—Lieutenant General Arthur MacArthur, U. S. Army, and Mary Hardy MacArthur, Norfolk, Virginia.

ENTERED POLITICS—in March, 1948, with his announcement that he would be available for the presidential nomination if chosen.

Above General MacArthur's desk in Tokyo hangs the sign "Youth is not a time of life—it is a state of mind." Although 69 years of age and rapidly becoming bald, the General is in top physical condition. He stands militarily erect, six feet tall, and has broad shoulders and steel-gray eyes.

Cadet MacArthur entered West Point at 19. He was graduated Second Lieutenant MacArthur in 1905 with a scholastic average of ninety-seven per cent, the highest in his class. He was a star athlete and played football and baseball.

MacArthur's first orders after his West Point graduation sent him to the Philippines as a member of the

Corps of Engineers. A little later he was in Japan as an aide to his own father, General Arthur MacArthur. After serving with his father, he was transferred to Washington as an aide to President Theodore Roosevelt.

General MacArthur first began to capture public imagination when he was promoted to Brigadier General in 1918. He was the youngest General in the army at that time. Placed in command of the 84th Infantry Brigade, he led that contingent in the battles of St. Mihiel, Essey, Pennes, Meuse-Argonne and Sedan. He was wounded twice. For his heroism in action he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

After World War I, MacArthur held a series of assignments. He was superintendent of the Academy at West Point, commander of several Corps Areas, and then was assigned a tour of duty in the Philippines as commander of the Military District of Manila. His promotion to Major General came in 1925.

In 1930, President Hoover appointed MacArthur Chief of Staff of the

Army, a position which the General's father had once held. Retiring as Chief of Staff in 1935, MacArthur became military adviser to the Philippines by act of Congress. Manuel Quezon, Philippine president, then appointed him Field Marshal of all Philippine forces.

General MacArthur has been married twice. His first wife divorced him on the grounds of incompatibility in 1929. The General's second wife is Jean Faircloth of Murfreesboro, Tennessee. When they were married, MacArthur was 37 and Jean Faircloth 37. They have one young son, Arthur.

As Commander in Chief of the Southwest Pacific during World War II, General MacArthur's record is still fresh in the minds of the American people. He has a large and enthusiastic following in the United States. Unlike the other presidential aspirants, General MacArthur is apparently depending on these followers to clinch the presidential nomination for him before he will return home to claim it.



Arthur MacArthur, son of the General, is a camera fan. When this picture was taken, Arthur was walking along Tokyo streets in search of photographic subjects.

BRYANT POND

Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corra. The operetta, "Station Cloudville," will be presented by the grade school pupils at the Gymnasium on Thursday evening, May 20 at 8 o'clock.

The last meeting for the season of the Woodstock Parent-Teacher Association will be held Monday evening, May 17, at the High School auditorium. Superintendent of Schools, Charles Puffer, will be present as speaker, and refreshments will be served in charge of Mrs. Nelson Whitman.

The PTA is sponsoring a dance at the Gym on Saturday evening, May 15.

Mr and Mrs Howard MacKillop entertained on Sunday, his parents Roy and Mrs James MacKillop and sister, Mrs Donald MacDowell and little daughter of North Livermore.

Mr and Mrs Omer Lord of Benton were the week end guests of Mrs Lord's sister and husband, Mr and Mrs Carl C. Dudley.

Gardner Cole of Medfield, Mass., visited his parents, Mr and Mrs Clarence E. Cole over the week end, while his wife went to Fairfield to be with her mother who is ill.

Mr and Mrs Albert Bowker were at Portland several days recently where they were guests of Mrs Bowker's brother, Edward Stilwell and family and Mrs Bowker's bro-

ther and wife, Mr and Mrs Irvin Bowker.

Thomas L. Smith, with his brother Walter Smith, and son, Thomas L. Jr., are staying at their cottage, the Capitol, for a short vacation.

Mr and Mrs Robert Winslow of Buckfield have moved to the house they bought of Burton Cox.

Leroy Clemons is assisting his brother, Robert Clemons, in the IGA Store and with his family are staying at present with his brother's folks.

Dr. F. H. Smalley and wife of Lebanon, N. H., were in town last week and plan to move to their home here soon.

ROWE HILL

Mrs. Margaret Bryant, Cor.

Mr and Mrs Ray Hanscom were in Newry Sunday.

Murray Ring and wife were at Colby Ring's Sunday.

Wilmer Bryant and Mrs Ray Hanscom were in Bethel Friday morning.

Osman Palmer and family were at Turner Sunday visiting his sister-in-law.

Mrs Iva Lang and Miss Sylvia Ring were at Wilmer Bryant's Saturday.

Wilmer Bryant was in Locke Mills Monday.

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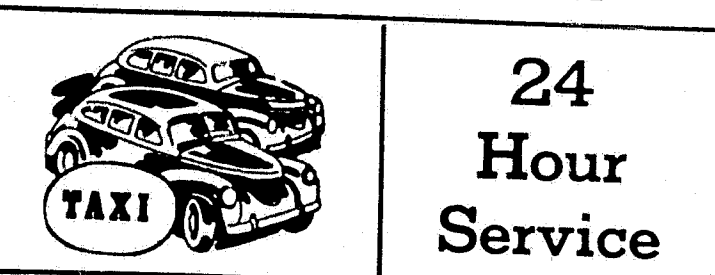


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Frank I. Hale
Bethel, Maine
Apr. 20, 1948.

NATIONAL GRANGE MUTUAL LIABILITY COMPANY
Keene, N. H.
ASSETS DEC. 31, 1947

Mortgage Loans	\$111,560.30
Collateral loans	7,000.00
Stocks & Bonds	4,674,374.32
Cash in Office & bank	1,571,935.01
Agents' Balance	412,567.36
Interest & rents	15,853.90
Other assets	3,500.00
Gross Assets	\$6,596,790.89
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1947	
Unpaid Losses	\$2,093,646.80
Unearned premiums	1,951,418.74
Other Liabilities	771,295.72
Surplus over Liabilities	2,080,429.63
Total Lab. & Surplus	\$6,596,790.89

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NATIONAL GRANGE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
Keene, N. H.
ASSETS DEC. 31, 1947

Mortgage Loans	\$24,604.0
Stocks & Bonds	902,380.32
Cash in Office & Bank	32,303.80
Agents' Balances	84,863.24
Interest & Rents	4,154.26
Other assets	4,742.58
Gross Assets	\$1,062,048.10
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1947	
Unpaid Losses	\$50,000.00
Unearned premiums	307,571.53
Other Liabilities	193,094.45
Cash Capital	250,000.00
Surplus over Liabilities	251,379.16
Total Lab. & Surplus	\$1,062,048.10

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FEENLESS CASUALTY COMPANY
Keene, N. H.
ASSETS DEC. 31, 1947

Mortgage loans	\$212,411.96
Collateral loans	1,000.00
Stocks & Bonds	4,083,737.12
Cash in office & Bank	1,068,728.28
Agents' balance	369,465.77
Interest & rents	16,863.43
Other Assets	16,292.78
Gross Assets	5,759,489.47
Less items not admitted	120,686.25
Admitted	\$5,638,803.22
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1947	
Unpaid Losses	\$1,869,623.74
Unearned premiums	1,264,411.65
Other Liabilities	199,560.89
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over Liabilities	1,285,218.14
Total Lab. & Surplus	\$5,638,803.22

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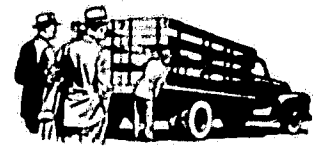
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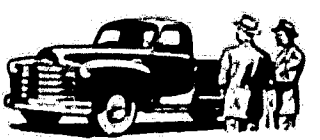
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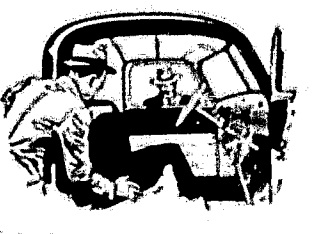
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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. K. W. Hawthorne, Minister
Church School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11:00.

A YOUTH RALLY sponsored by the Central Oxford Council of Churches will be held on Sunday evening in the Church. A period of recreation will be conducted from 5:00 to 7:00 in the Chapel. The young people will then adjourn to the dining hall for a Picnic Supper. At 7:00 there will be a Worship Service in the Sanctuary. The speaker at the evening service will be Jack Swart, a missionary from India. The public is cordially invited to attend the evening meeting.

METHODIST CHURCH

William Penner, Pastor
9:45 Church School, Miss Minnie Wilson, superintendent.
11:00 Morning worship service. Sermon theme: "Mixing Religion with Life."

The members of the Youth Fellowship are planning to attend the Youth Rally, sponsored by the Central Oxford County Council of Churches, to be held at the Bethel Congregational Church Sunday, May 16, at 5:00 p. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Public service to which all who are interested are cordially invited will be held on further notice.

Golden Text: "As we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly" (1 Corinthians 15:49).

VILES HEADS COUNTY

SAVINGS BOND COMMITTEE

George H. Viles, Treasurer, South Paris Savings Bank, South Paris, has been appointed Chairman of Oxford County—US Savings Bonds Committee, and will shortly organize his committee to promote the Security Loan Drive which is now in progress and runs to June 30. Mr. Viles will name chairmen of the various sections, such as public, payroll savings, schools, community activities, agriculture, banking and investments, and will also appoint the town chairmen.

In naming Mr. Viles to this important post, Arthur F. Maxwell, State Chairman stated that he felt fortunate in obtaining his services, as Mr. Viles has had a great deal of experience in selling war bonds and savings bonds.

Mr. Viles is not a newcomer to the Maine bond sales committee, having been active on the committee for the past eight years. Maxwell said "As head of the South Paris Savings Bank for many years, Mr. Viles has been most interested in thrift and savings, and has been a loyal supporter of the U S Treasury's savings bond program," Maxwell pointed out.

"The Security Loan Drive is the most important bond selling campaign since the Victory Loan Drive of 1945," he said, "and it is with a great deal of pleasure that I announce Mr. Viles' appointment to head Oxford County."

WALLACE SUPPORTERS TO ORGANIZE IN MAINE, MAY 23

A U S atomic scientist, Dr. Philip Morrison of Cornell University, will head the list of speakers to be heard at the founding convention of the Maine Progressive Party. It is announced by the Maine Wallace for President Committee. The convention is to be held Sunday, May 23 in Portland with headquarters at the Palmetto Hotel.

The founding convention of the Maine Progressive Party will serve to merge the Maine Wallace for President Committee and the Maine Chapter Progressive Citizens of America into the one group which will have as its primary objective the support of the Henry Wallace-Glen Taylor presidential ticket in Maine, according to Miss Louise Hunt, executive secretary.

About 300 persons are expected to attend the sessions which will also see the election of state officers and the adoption of a platform.



By REV. ROBERT H. MARVER

Malachi Demands Sincere Religion

Lesson for May 15: Malachi 1:1, 6-9; 2:13-14; 3:7-12.

Memory Selection: Luke 6:46.

It is plain from the lesson text that the people of Judah had departed from God's way. A century after the labors of Haggai, Malachi, the last of the prophets, began his ministry, and he called upon his people to mend their evil ways.

They had fallen into grievous neglect of sincere religion. The priests despised Jehovah's name, but brazenly asked wherein they had done so. Malachi replied that they had despised the name of their God in offering polluted bread, the blind, the sick, and the lame. He urged them to entreat the favor of God. He also denounced their pretended penitence, while putting away their Jewish wives and taking younger women from other races.

Malachi also denounced the people for turning away from God's ordinances and he declared in Jehovah's name, "Return unto me, and I will return unto you." Anticipating their question as to the manner of their return, the prophet asked, "Will a man rob God?" They had robbed Him in tithes and offerings. And Malachi promised that if they would bring their offerings into the storehouse, God would open to them the windows of heaven. Deliverance from the devourer would come, the fruits of the ground would be abundant, and all nations would call them happy.

We may be warned in the lesson of perfunctory worship, the evils of divorce and broken family life, and the sinfulness of a faithless stewardship—evils that now vex the church.

NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL PHOTO AWARD WINNERS SHOWN AT GOULD ACADEMY

A group of prize winning pictures from the Second Annual National High School Photographic Awards has been placed on display at Gould Academy and will remain through May 14.

Representative of the work of teen-age youngsters from all sections of the country, the pictures are the best from among thousands of entries in the nationwide high school picture competition which was sponsored in 1947 by the Eastman Kodak Company.

Every picture now being shown rated high among the "first hundred" prize winners. A total of 369 cash prizes aggregating more than \$3,500 was awarded in the competition. The Grand Prize Winner—included in the exhibit—won for his maker awards totaling \$600, which the winner is using to help meet expenses in furthering his education.

On display, in addition to the Grand Prize Winner, are the first, second, and third prize winners. In each of the five classes into which the competition was divided and a selected group of other prize winners.

The pictures on exhibition range from snapshots of babies to pictures of ballet dancers; from studies of pets and animals to exciting action shots on the baseball diamond; from beautiful pictorial scenes to interesting and unusual "still life" studies.

The annual Gould Academy Camera Club salon will be held from May 31 through June 6.

The annual meeting of the Riverside Cemetery Association was held Saturday afternoon at the home of D. Grover Brooks. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, Dr. Raymond Tibbets; vice-president, Charles Tuell; secretary and treasurer, Fred L. Douglass; trustees, D. Grover Brooks, Dr. E. L. Brown, and Albert Silver.



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT J. ZAWORSKI (Priscilla Ring) who sailed from New York on the Santa Monica for Maracaibo, Venezuela, where they will reside. Their wedding occurred at Locke Mills on April 24.

GIRL SCOUTS

The Girl Scouts met on May 11 at the Community Room. A committee was chosen for the birthday party, they were as follows: Margery Rowe, Susan Kneeland, Marie Mills and Ruth Hall. The cleanup committee is Barbara Jodrey, Beverly Noyes and Jerry Pierce.

We voted to go to the picnic on May 23, to have a picnic at the Picnic Grounds.

We want all girls who are scouts to come to next meeting to practice marching for Memorial Day.

BORN

At Rumford, May 7, to Mr and Mrs Verne Glover, a daughter, Anita Evelyn.

MARRIED

At Meredith Center, N. H., May 1, by Rev George Jenkins, Harold P. Connor and Miss Marjorie L. Pickering.

At Bethel, May 8, by Rev K. W. Hawthorne, Roland F. Crocker of Providence, R. I., and Miss Barbara Colledge of Bethel.

DIED

In Rumford, May 8, Selden L. Grover of Bethel, aged 72 years.

The May Meeting of the Bethel Players will be held at the Community Room on Monday evening at 7:30. The membership list is still open and all in any way interested are invited to enroll and participate in the present and future activities of this public-spirited dramatic organization.

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* LOW DOWN FROM *
* HICKORY GROVE *
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I just been reading where a little factory—40 employees—in California, has pulled up stakes and headed for Texas. Too much bossism from the Labor Temple, the man said. It is only forty workers moving out, but the folks there can take heed. The next outfit to move might take 800 people. They have a good man there in sunny Cal., who is doing his level best to change things so that a person is free to work where, at what, and when he chooses—and for how much. They should listen there, more attentive, to this gentleman. He is Cecil deMille—he is no single tracker—he knows about more things than just shootin' pictures of pulchritudinous damsels poised on a springboard. Much more, I say. Freedom is fadin' out, he says.

And while on California and 40 people moving out, we can squint a bit at other things cookin' in other states in that far West. Eleven governors there at a meeting, have sent out an SOS for dinero to bolster their various affairs, big reclamation fundiddle — such fundiddles being a "front" for power schemes, etc. Hollering for help don't have that western tang—sounds like they're going softy.

In Texas no man admits there is a better man in the U S A than he is—and he will prove it to you if you get cheery or smarmy. They don't yelp for alms or holler for help in old free and wide Texas.

Yours with the low down,
JO SEPPALA

GOULD ACADEMY

The annual Sports Banquet for boys from all the athletic squads of Gould Academy was held in Gehring Hall, Wednesday, May 12, under the direction of Mrs Estelle Coggins, school-dietician. Headmaster Elwood F. Ireland presided and introduced Mr. Martin W. Souder, head of the department of physical education at Phillips Exeter Academy, as guest speaker. In addition to the men members of the Gould faculty, those present included one hundred and eighteen boys who had participated in basketball, football, cross country, baseball, skiing, and track. Attractive place cards and service were supplied by members of the Girls Athletic Association, under the direction of Miss Marion Stallwood.

The senior dormitory girls entertained the senior town girls at a tea at the Headmaster's residence, Tuesday afternoon, May 11. Assisting Mrs Elwood F. Ireland and Miss Sylvia Collins, class advisor, were the following senior committee members: Carol Woodcock, chairman; Grace Lenfest, Barbara Storey, Barbara Crockett, Janice Underwood, Gloria Cutting, Geraldine Linnell, Barbara Spooner, Margaret Mayer.

Popular Photography, nationally circulated magazine dealing with all phases of camera work, has a two-thousand word article by David Thompson of the Gould faculty, describing the activities of the Gould Camera Club under the sponsorship of Gayle Foster, in the June issue, illustrated by a half-dozen outstanding examples of Gould students' work.

PRIMARY ENTERTAINMENT

Continued from Page One
Robins: Rodney Clough, David Salway, Kenneth Pease, Bobby Blake.

Skiing Rope: Patricia Kittredge.

Bouncing Balls: Jimmy Murphy, Walter Kittredge.

Scarecrow: Donald Larson.

Farmer: Alan Dyke.

Crows: Charles Bean, Tommy Carter, Albert Sumner.

Frog: Donald Christie, Jerry Freeman, Ben Kellogg, Bradley Benson, John Gilman.

Teacher: Richard Saunders.

Mother: Diane Arsenault.

Fisherman: Gilbert Haines. Fisherman soloist: Francis Graves.

Ducks: Barbara Mundt, Harriette Kneeland, David Myers, Paul Murphy, Bobby Chadbourn, Malcolm Bennett.

Raindrop soldiers: Howard Gunther, Everett Saunders, Buddy Connor, Bobby Butters, Richard Roberts, Gerald Smith, Gerald Kingsbury, Robert Lord.

Raindrop Elves: Caroline Reynolds, Clair Varney, Christine Baker, Sylvia Benson, Phyllis Kimball.

Pages: Kaye Blake, Martha Brown.

Ushers: Mary Ford, Mary Jane Spiney.

Programs: Peter Anderson, Janice Saunders, Diane Pease, Betty Waterhouse.

Stage Helpers: Earl Hart, Ralph Merrill.

Properties: Arthur Mills, Stewart Blake, Annette Baker.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE

About 100 people witnessed splendid work done by two degree teams from Norway Grange when a class of 17 candidates received the 3rd and 4th degrees Tuesday evening at West Bethel. Alexander Stearns, District Deputy, and Past Deputy Ellis Davis also the Master of Oxford County Pomona were among those present.

Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served at the close of the meeting.

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EAST BETHEL

Mrs. Rodney Howe, Correspondent
Mr and Mrs Raymond Bartlett and children of Rumford were guests of Mr and Mrs Guy Bartlett Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Willis Bartlett and son, Clayton, of Portland were in their trailer Saturday night and guests of Mr and Mrs Urban Bartlett, Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Elmer Trask and Mrs S B Newton were in Andover Sunday.

Victor Robinson went to Auburn Friday to have his eye examined and came back Saturday.

Leonard Tyler of Norway, Lawrence Tyler of Dixfield and Richard Tyler and family of Rumford were Sunday guests at Ben Tyler's.

Mrs Linnie Hutchinson, Claire Holman and Betty Swan of Dixfield visited Mrs Ida Blake Sunday, then called on Mr and Mrs Charles Reed at Bethel, Mrs Blake went home with them to spend a week.

John Howe and bride of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, are visiting Mr and Mrs R D Hastings family this week while on their honeymoon trip.

Mrs Ruth Hastings was a guest of Mrs George Cole in Greenwood Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Rodney Howe and children, Gordon Howe and Edward Hastings were in East Brownfield, Sunday.

John Irvine has returned home from a visit in Winchester, Mass. Mrs John Irvine has been ill.

A Bernard Bartlett left Tuesday by plane for Racine, Wis., where he will be the guest of the J W Case Co. manufacturers of farm machinery. Mr Bartlett will also stop in Detroit on his return.

Five girls of the Lucky Clover 4-H Club were in South Paris on Friday where they modeled their dresses. They were Clara Foster, Arlene Coolidge, Shirley Bartlett, Mary Coolidge, and Serena Coolidge.

Bernice Noyes, Myra Foster and Marguerite Bartlett attended the Recreational Institute at Norway last week.

UPTON SCHOOL NEWS

Billy Powell was absent two days last week. He sprained his ankle while hanging a May basket.

Stanley Fuller was absent one day last week.

Our teacher, Mrs Gunther, is reading "The Valley of Adventure." It is very interesting. We came back early at noon time so we can have more read to us.

Katherine and Susan Angevine were absent Friday.

We have brought a lot of different kinds of stones.—Shirley Enman, Reporter.

deferred
Billy Powell was out of school a week. They thought he had the mumps.

Beverly Fuller was out sick almost all week.

The younger folks have some clay to play with, but usually the older folks are playing with it.

Katherine will never be a cowboy for her bike throw her to the ground.—Ruby Ann Enman, Reporter.

SOUTH ALBANY

Mr and Mrs Colby Robinson and Mrs Dorothy Dunbar were supper guests of Mr and Mrs Leon Kimball, recently.

Mr and Mrs Harold Nutting and family from Bethel were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs John Spinney.

John Spinney is working for Stanley Lapham at the mill.

George Wentworth sold a calf to George Davis, Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Roy Wardwell attended the Minstrel Show at North Fryeburg on Monday night with Mr and Mrs "Ducky" Ring.

John Spinney called at Roy Wardwell's, Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Ivan Kimball have traded trucks.

MAINE FAIR DATES ANNOUNCED

The Maine Department of Agriculture announced May 5 the dates of 29 agricultural fairs to be held during the 1948 season.

Maine's first fair will be held at Presque Isle and Damariscotta August 2 to 7, according to the dates announced.

The last fair of the year will be that of the Sagadahoc Agricultural Society at Topsham, although the Department's Fair Roster shows the dates of October 18-23 as "tentative." The listing, if carried out, would leave Topsham Fair its traditional place at the end of the Maine fair season.

The following is the complete schedule of fairs:

Northern Maine Fair, Presque Isle, August 2-7.

New Damariscotta Fair, Inc., Damariscotta, August 2-7.

Androscoggin Agricultural Society, New Gloucester, August 9-14.

Bangor State Fair Bangor, August 9-14.

Skowhegan State Fair, Skowhegan, August 14-21.

North Knox Agricultural and Horticultural Society, Union, August 24-28.

New Exeter Fair, Inc., Exeter, August 25-28.

Piscataquis Valley Fair Association, Dover-Foxcroft, August 27-28.

Morrill Grange Fair, Morrill, August 28.

South Kennebec Agricultural Society Windsor, August 31-Sept. 6.

Cullford Athletic Association, Cullford, Sept. 4.

Hancock County Agricultural Society, Blue Hill, Sept. 6-8.

Maine State Fair, Lewiston, Sept. 6-11.

Oxford County Agricultural Society, South Paris, Sept. 13-18.

Washington County Agricultural Society, Machina, Sept. 14-16.

Emden Agricultural Society, Emden, Sept. 18.

West Washington Agricultural Society, Cherryfield, Sept. 21-23.

Franklin County Agricultural Society, Farmington, Sept. 21-25.

Oxford North Agricultural Society, Andover, Sept. 22-23.

Readfield Grange Fair, Readfield, Sept. 25.

Cumberland Farmers Club, West Cumberland, Sept. 27-Oct. 2.



30 YEARS OF AIR MAIL: May 15 marks the 30th anniversary of the opening of the nation's first air mail service. Capt. E. Hamilton Lee of United Air Lines, dean of all airline pilots and one of the

pilots who flew the original air mail route between New York and Washington, and Stewardess Leo Lucas displays a large air mail envelope symbolic of the anniversary as United prepares to celebrate the event.

Cochewagan Agricultural Association, Monmouth, Sept. 29-30.

York County Agricultural Association, Acton, Sept. 30-Oct. 2.

World's Fair Association, North Waterford, Oct. 1-2.

Litchfield Farmers' Club, Litchfield, Oct. 5-6.

West Oxford Agricultural Society, Fryeburg, Oct. 5-8.

Leeds Agricultural Association, Leeds Center, Oct. 7.

Cornish Agricultural Association, Cornish, Oct. 11-16.

Sagadahoc Agricultural and Horticultural Society, Topsham, Oct. 18-23.

OXFORD COUNTY MINERAL AND GEM ASSOCIATION

The monthly meeting of the Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association was held Monday, May 3 at the home of Dana Putnam, Rumford Corner. Keith Foster was nominated Treasurer. Two field trips were planned to take place before the next meeting.

May 16: Black Mt., Rumford. The group to meet in front of the Rumford Library at 8:00 A.M.

June 6: Harvard Mine, Noyes Mt., Greenwood. Meeting place Hood's Creamery, Rumford Falls at 8:00 or the Maine Gem Shop, Trap Corner at 9:00. Anyone interested is welcome to join us. Children under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an older person. Addi-

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SKILLINGTON

Miss Gloria Wight of Berlin, N. H., spent Sunday with her father, John Wight.

Mrs John Wight and son, Gerald, were in Berlin last week attending the burial of Mrs Wight's mother.

Harold Young had his tonsils removed at the Community Hospital in Rumford last week.

Miss Betty McAllister and several girls from Gould spent the week end at a camp at East Sumner.

Everett Marshall has sold his house and is having a new one built in this vicinity.

Mr and Mrs Raymond Saunders and son were at Carlton Saunders Sunday.

Mrs Daisy McAllister was in Norway Saturday.

GILEAD

Mrs Nettie Spinney of Boston, Mass., is spending her vacation with Mrs Roland Annis.

Frank Smith of Portland was a visitor in town Tuesday.

George Sawyer and family have returned to their home in South Portland.

Miss Joyce Bedard of Berlin, N. H., spent the week end at her home here.

Mrs Margery McAllister has returned home from Lawrence, Mass.

Mr and Mrs Cash Daniels and son of Berlin, N. H., are guests of his sister, Mrs Harriette Flisette.

NORTHWEST BETHEL

Mrs D S Skillings had the misfortune to fall at her home and injured her leg and hip.

Rev and Mrs Elwin Wilson of Orono were at Miss Minnie Wilson's a few days the first of the week to attend the funeral of his uncle, Selden Grover.

Master Robert W Hastings of East Bethel spent the week end with Stanley Coolidge.

Mr and Mrs Almon Coolidge and children of East Bethel were at Floyd Coolidge's, Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Ernest Angeline and

WEST BETHEL

Mrs Nellie Swett spent a few days last week with Mr and Mrs Roy Newton.

Mr and Mrs Lee Rowe and Mr and Mrs Clarence Perham were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs Roy Newton.

Miss Colleen Bennett is having a vacation from her work at the Bethel Savings Bank on account of ill health.

Mr and Mrs Gerald Cushing and family were guests of his parents Mr and Mrs D W Cushing on Sunday.

Albert Dunham had the misfortune to cut his hand Monday and has returned to Dixfield.

Mrs Mary Turner spent Tuesday with Mr and Mrs Milo McAllister at Gilead.

Mr and Mrs Cleveland Lovejoy and Miss Marilyn Andrews spent the week end with his parents.

Robert Perry was at home for the week end.

Golden Wedding
Mr and Mrs D W Cushing quietly observed their golden wedding anniversary on April 27, they had not intended for the news to get out but somehow it did. They were remembered by the Chapel Aid, Pleasant Valley Grange, friends, neighbors and relatives.

They also received many beautiful cards.

Mr and Mrs Cushing were married in Bethel and lived in Mason for several years. In 1921 they came to West Bethel and for several years carried on a grocery business where they now live.

Two sons were born to them, Gerald Cushing, who is superintendent of schools in the Dixfield union, and Eugene who died several years ago.

They have the best wishes of a host of friends for many more years of happiness.

children were in Upton, Sunday.

There were about 20 at the party at the school house Friday evening. There will be a box supper Friday evening, May 21.

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Send Seeds to Europe... It Will Pay Dividends

BLOOMING forsythia means that spring is at the door, tentative about coming in. But when the gold, star-shaped blossoms give way to the first green leaves, you can be sure spring has come to stay. Another sure sign is the appearance of rows of seed packages on metal or wooden racks next to the garden tools inside hardware stores or out in front.

Brightly pictured are the potentials of these packets—rosy-cheeked tomatoes, slender pale green string beans and the golden wax variety, peas stretching pods with plumpness. Who can resist browsing, picking up the paper envelopes, shaking them to hear the exciting dry rattle of the seeds inside? You hold a miracle in your hand. You also hold an opportunity (and if you listen to the dictates of your heart, an obligation) to help the starving people of Europe. By sending seeds to Europe you can make it possible for hungry people to create gardens which will supply them with the fresh vegetables they need so desperately.

Think of it—a paper package of these hard brown pellets may mean for some child straight sturdy bones, instead of a body twisted and deformed by rickets or other vitamin deficiency disease.

Sending seeds to Europe is a way of helping that everyone can afford. It costs only fifty cents to send a

garden unit of thirteen different kinds of vegetables—enough to plant a garden 40 by 20 feet. Such a garden would provide a family of five with enough fresh vegetables for four months.

The vegetables in these garden units have been chosen by experts who know what will grow in the countries where the seeds will be sent. The gardens are designed to require a minimum of tools and heavy labor. Old people, women and children can do the work. Seeds are guaranteed to measure up to government standards.

You can't, of course, put any money value on world friendship. We'd all be glad to dig down deep to purchase that. But here is a world friendship project that requires very little monetary outlay. Seeds are relatively inexpensive in this country. An American youngster, for instance, can use his weekly allowance to buy seeds for a garden unit, and maybe have enough money left over to buy an ice cream soda for himself. On the other hand, in Berlin, last summer, it would have cost about \$40.00 for enough seeds to plant a 20 by 40 foot garden.

Your garden club probably knows about this project, but you might point it out to other groups, organized or informal. If your son or daughter has been asking how he can help the pitiful children in other lands, tell him about Seeds for Friendship. Write for information and send checks to Mrs. Nicholas J. Mertens, Treasurer, National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc., 500 Fifth Avenue, New York 18, N. Y. Let's be sure our European neighbors have the strength to hang on to the ideal of freedom that can be the unifying bond between us.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Geneva Tuck, Correspondent

Mrs. Annette Austin and Horace Irving Ridley, both of Norway, were married Saturday morning May 5 by the Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes at the Universalist parsonage. The double ring service was used. Their attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Carol Howard.

Mrs. Lenwood Andrews was given a birthday surprise party Friday evening. The guests congregated while Mrs. Andrews was away on business and a beautiful Maybush cake filled with gifts which they intended to hang and the heavy rain prevented was awaiting her. The guests also brought dainty refreshments which included a beautiful cake made by Mrs. Glenn Emery. Guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. William Steeves, Mrs. Elizabeth Bane, Mr. and Mrs. H. Stanley Andrews, James, Ormond and Muriel Andrews, the guest of honor and her family, Lenwood Andrews, Suzanne, Hilda and Jackson.

Mrs. Dorothy Ross who has been ill was able to return to her Commercial teaching at West Paris High School, Monday.

Mrs. Shirley Small is in very poor health and is confined to her bed.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin J. Mann and Mrs. Lewis Mann were in Portland, Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Naugle and Thomas Jr., returned Friday from a week's vacation.

LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Correspondent

The Men's Club held their meeting last Wednesday evening at the Legion Hall. A supper preceded the meeting. It was decided at the meeting to work at the cemetery on May 22. Edmond Vachon of Paris and showed pictures taken there since the war. At the next meeting the men will be accompanied by their wives or a lady friend who will furnish a box for a box supper.

The following attended a Men's meeting at Norway Friday evening: Elias Roberts, Joseph C. Quosley, Lewis Tirrell, Tom May, Norwood Ford, George W. Merle Lurvey, Walter Newell and Herman Cummings.

Verne Corkum attended a meeting of scoutmasters and counselors at South Paris Friday evening.

The smaller grades of the Sunday school gave a program Sunday morning in observance of Mother's Day.

Mrs. Harry Bryant of Mechanic Falls was a week end guest of her son, Walter Newell and family.

Clinton Littlefield has returned home after visiting relatives at North Abington, Mass.

UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Juddkins, Correspondent

Mrs. C. A. Juddkins visited friends and relatives in Weld and Phillips over the week end.

Mrs. Fred S. Juddkins visited her mother in Bryant Pond, Friday of last week.

Jan Barnett has gone to Oquossoc to work.

A crowd gathered and cleaned the Grange Hall recently.

George Angevine is in a hospital in Framingham, Mass.

Frank Allen and Earle Foss are carpentering for Mrs. Durkee at the Lake House.

Several went to the Men's Club at Magalloway Monday night of this week.

NOT SO MUCH AWRY

MARY LOUISE CHEATHAM

A Short-Short Story

THE minute she got Tom off to work, Harriet put the wash water on to heat. Swiftly, she stacked the breakfast dishes and cleared the kitchen for laundry work, putting the white clothes to soak in a drain tub. The right amount of bleach had been added, and they would have time to whiten up a bit before she was ready for the first tubful. They should, of course, have been soaked overnight, but it had rained all day Monday, and this time of year you never know what to expect.

Harriet frowned, still irritated at Monday's showers. That was the trouble with not having a basement, with having to depend on drying the clothes outdoors. You were at the mercy of the weather. Well, it looked clear enough today, she thought, the frown easing a little. The sky was cloudless blue, with a breeze rippling the green-gold maple tawzels. The clothes ought to dry fine. And it was only Tuesday, after all.

As she washed the dishes, a phrase from one of Betsy's nursery rhymes popped into her mind. "They that wash on Monday," it sang, "have all the week to dry; they that wash on Tuesday are not so much awry." She didn't remember the rest of it, except that it concerned the varying degrees of shame involved with washing any later in the week than Wednesday.

Betsy, bicus her heart, was still sleeping soundly when Harriet slipped through the bedroom to pick up any garments needed in the laundry. The night had been a good one, she thought, the night when she had had off her mind.

But over the basket, she did not see the nightgown she had worn, but a white dress, come over to the floor.

"What a lovely dress!" she thought, and she slipped it on, fastening it at her waist, gazed wash-water in the tub, and thought, "What a lovely dress!"

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along, Bessie and Gladie. We're keeping Mrs. Hopewell from her work."

They moved together across the grass, and a kind of eagerness seemed to move in the sunlight with them. Once more, Harriet frowned, faintly, then freely, as she realized the damage had been done. Betsy



She had slipped the breakfast.

was awake and called. If it hadn't been for the children, Harriet thought, she might have slept half the night.

"Come, darling," she called, putting the nightgown on the floor, and she slipped it on, fastening it at her waist, gazed wash-water in the tub, and thought, "What a lovely dress!"

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"The worst case place with her mother," answered Harriet, surprised at a small feeling of guilt.

"I want to go some place, too," begged Betsy, dawdling over her crayons. "I want to go some place out in the sunshine."

"Well, be a good girl," advised Harriet. "Let me finish my work, and maybe I can spare the time to take you some place Thursday."

"Then can I wash my doll's clothes?" pleaded Betsy. This was a pastime she loved, but it invariably made a mess, and today, if Harriet hurried, she would be able to wash rugs and blankets.

"Not today, dear," Harriet said, again. "Be good, now, and Thursday we'll go downtown and buy ice cream."

"I'd rather go with Gladie," replied Betsy, but her chubby fingers were now obediently beginning to fill in the outlines in her color book. No reason to feel sorry for her, Harriet assured herself.

Betsy was a healthy, docile, well-cared for child. Well-mannered, too, which was more than you could say for the Maynard children, who were loud and impulsive. At least, that's the way they seemed alongside Betsy. But what could you expect, with a mother spoiling them the way theirs did? She could see them now, scampering along the creek road, shouting, scrambling up and down the little hills, getting windblown, sunburned, and bedraggled. And their mother, with them. They would all come straggling home before supper time, with nothing ready to eat, dusty, tired, and tousled, their hair full of flowers, and their faces all manner of odds and ends, and their feet up along the road, the way the Maynards had.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Hemingway visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Emerson of West Sumner.

Search continued for Fred Kilgore, Sunday by about 50 men. Mrs. Bessie Parker of Livermore is staying with Mrs. Kilgore for a few days.

Willard Wright and family were at home from Bethel over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ferren and Mrs. Claude Herriek were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wright Saturday night, May 1.

L. E. Wright, Herbert Morton, Jr., F. W. Wright, H. H. Morton, Jr., and Paul Wright attended the Men's Club meeting and supper at Magalloway Monday night.

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE

Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Correspondent

The Albany Church Services are being held at the Church at Hunt's Corner, at the usual time, 2:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haselton spent Sunday at Harlan Bumpus.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keniston, Ann Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrews, and Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Keniston and daughter, Lorna, were Sunday dinner guests at Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews.

Harlan Bumpus is working in the woods for E. C. Lapham.

Mrs. Bertha Andrews, Mrs. Carrie Logan, Mrs. Annie Bumpus and A. Bruce attended the meeting of the Central Oxford Council of Churches at Norway Monday evening.

Mrs. Sarah Andrews and children were Sunday callers at Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Billings and children, Mrs. Edgar Davis and son Robert, were at South Paris Tuesday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hemingway visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Emerson of West Sumner.

Search continued for Fred Kilgore, Sunday by about 50 men. Mrs. Bessie Parker of Livermore is staying with Mrs. Kilgore for a few days.

Willard Wright and family were at home from Bethel over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ferren and Mrs. Claude Herriek were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wright Saturday night, May 1.

L. E. Wright, Herbert Morton, Jr., F. W. Wright, H. H. Morton, Jr., and Paul Wright attended the Men's Club meeting and supper at Magalloway Monday night.

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE

Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Correspondent

The Albany Church Services are being held at the Church at Hunt's Corner, at the usual time, 2:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haselton spent Sunday at Harlan Bumpus.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keniston, Ann Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrews, and Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Keniston and daughter, Lorna, were Sunday dinner guests at Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews.

Harlan Bumpus is working in the woods for E. C. Lapham.

Mrs. Bertha Andrews, Mrs. Carrie Logan, Mrs. Annie Bumpus and A. Bruce attended the meeting of the Central Oxford Council of Churches at Norway Monday evening.

Mrs. Sarah Andrews and children were Sunday callers at Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews.

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ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

Happenings That Affect the Dinner Table, Dividend Checks and Tax Bills of Every Individual—National and International Problems Inseparable from Local Welfare

At the time this is written, the war-is-imminent spirit doesn't seem so intense as it was a short time ago. It reached almost hysterical proportions in March, when some of the commentators talked blithely of rain of bombs on American key centers. A number of military leaders are still warning Congress and the country that the possibility of war this year or next year cannot be precluded. However, such top officials as Defense Secretary Forrestal have expressed a much more moderate view, and the general feeling is that a war, if there is to be one, is at least five years off, probably ten, and maybe fifteen.

Back of that are several theories. One is a stiffening of anti-communist elements in Europe, as indicated by the Italian elections. The other is that nobody is ready for a war or could win a war. A third is that, sooner or later, this country and Russia will get together and find some means whereby com-

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, from day to day from the third Tuesday of said April. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:—

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the 19th Tuesday of May A.D. 1948, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Clara M. Brown, late of Greenwood, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Thomas I. Brown as administrator of the estate of said deceased, without bond, presented by Thomas I. Brown, son of the deceased.

Althea M. Morrill, (formerly Althea M. Whitman) late of Bethel, deceased; Will and petition for the appointment of G. Dana Morrill as Administrator C. T. A. without bond, presented by G. Dana Morrill, widower.

Mary H. Walker, of Lovell, adult ward; Second account presented for allowance by Eleanor L. Walker, guardian.

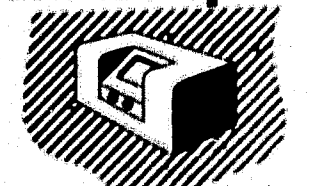
Minnie A. Capen, late of Bethel, deceased; Will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Fannie M. Carter as executrix of the same to wit without bond as expressed in said will, presented by Fannie M. Carter, the executrix therein named.

Witness, Albert J. Stearns, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

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Agents' Balances	1,521,064.54
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All Other Assets	821,144.25
Grand Assets	116,500,816.75
Debts None admitted	642,483.60
Admitted	815,997,327.04
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1947	
Unpaid Losses	9,797,276.57
Unearned Premiums	4,196,564.97
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mumism and capitalism can exist peaceably in the same world. In this connection, it is interesting that reports from Moscow say the government has so-called war talk in its controlled newspapers and radio. Stress is laid on current plans for expansion of the production of consumer goods, a projected high standard of living for the Russian people, etc.

Every time the war scare dies down, the public eye focuses once more on domestic matters. Congress has completed most of its big jobs—European aid and the tax reduction measure among them. Last major matter awaiting final action is preparedness and the pattern that it will take is clear—a bigger air force, a limited draft, but no U. M. T. this year. No surprises are at all likely, unless the course of world affairs takes an unexpected turn. So the lawmakers, and the public, can draw a deep breath and pin their attention on the political battles that are now moving toward the climax.

The stop-Truman movement within the Democratic party is a dead duck. The President will be nominated for reelection unless he amazes everyone and withdraws of his own volition. Only question is who he will choose for his running mate. Party leaders would like Justice Douglas of the Supreme Court who, they think, might be able to bring back into the fold old Roosevelt followers whose enthusiasm for Truman is non-existent. But he hasn't shown any apparent interest thus far.

The Stassen drive has been in the bull-market phase. No other GOP aspirant has shown anywhere near his ability to attract the voters. He is tireless, has an excellent personality, and has been unusually forthright on all the issues. But at the same time, the stop-Stassen element in the GOP is gathering in its resources. Votes on primary ballots don't necessarily mean

votes in the convention hall, and many top party leaders have no liking for the ex-governor of Minnesota. They think he isn't "regular" enough, wouldn't be a good party man, is too much like Willkie. However, as in the case of Willkie, they may have to take him whether they want him or not if public fever reaches a high enough temperature.

Governor Dewey's stock has definitely declined, though his backers still talk optimistically, and he will have great strength on the first few ballots at least. Two things, the political seers say, have cut the ground from under him with masses of voters. One is that he had his chance for the Presidency and missed. The other is that he always tests the winds of public opinion before offering his views on top issues, and for a long time he said almost nothing of a controversial nature.

The Taft candidacy still has its curious phase. Everyone admits that he lacks personal magnetism, and some are still pretty dubious of his views on international affairs. At the same time, men and women who disagree violently with his views say frankly that he has great courage and integrity. He isn't afraid of being unpopular—which, to most politicians, is the ultimate hell. He speaks his mind bluntly. He probably knows more about the business of government than any man in public life today, and more than any President since Wilson. Despite his poor showing in the Wisconsin and other primaries, he is definitely in the running. He, like Dewey, will go to the convention with a massive block of votes. He has the Deep South Republican delegations completely sewed up.

The MacArthur candidacy died when he made so poor a showing in Wisconsin, and only a few last-ditchers still express hope for him. Most people are at last taking El-

MARGARET CHASE SMITH AT JACKSON-SILVER POST

A special prayer was given by Chaplain Iola Marshall opening the May 6 program honoring the community's Gold Star Mothers. President Rena Howe presented the honored guests with white carnations. They were Ida Gravin, Helen Poland and Ada Balentine while those unable to attend were Mr. and Mrs. James Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Delphine Brooks, and Mrs. Arvilla Silver.

State Commander Alex La Fleur was introduced by Commander John E. Howe. He spoke impressively to the Gold Star Mothers and praised the local Post upon its accomplishments this year, which includes a 72% gain over its membership quota.

Margaret Chase Smith, who has served in the House of Representatives for eight years, was presented and spoke on the serious world situation saying, "What's happening in Europe can happen here as Stalin is retreating Hitler's former path. Russia calls our acts of cooperation, weakness and we must use 'firm friendliness' in our dealings with her. Communists are considered to be mentally and emotionally maladjusted." She said America's greatest protection against Communism is the American Legion and its Auxiliary.

Elaine and Jean Lamb sang "Now is the Hour" with their mother, Mrs. Cella Lamb, at the piano. The program closed with a question and answer period, which was most enlightening.

At the business meeting that preceded the speakers, the ladies voted to give three prizes. Instead of two, to the Americanism Essay winners in Woodstock High School and will be gold, silver and bronze medals. These will be presented at their graduation exercises in June.

The Auxiliary is grateful to the teachers for making this a required essay this year. Principal J. Douglas Thompson submitted the names of three juniors who qualify as candidates to attend Maine Girl State Camp at North Pond, Oakland, June 10-16. The selections are based on leadership, character, courage, honesty, scholarship and cooperativeness. Mrs. Smith drew the names,

senhower's statements that he isn't a candidate at face value.

Regardless of who is the candidate, the Republican talking points are easily forecast. They will call for more government economy, a reduction in the bureaucracy, more freedom for business in the interest of production. Mr. Truman will defend his budget, and undoubtedly ask for a restoration of price and other controls on some scale. Differences over foreign policy will deal with methods rather than broad principles.

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The Legion Aires are keeping in trim, they played May 1 for the Fireman's Ball, Bryant Pond, May 7 for the Oxford Men's Club Supper and dance in Welchville and May 13 for a dance at Bryant Pond, May 15 they will play at the PTA Ball in Bryant Pond, the 22nd, the anniversary Party, Mill House Garage, West Paris.

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From Our Files

10 YEARS AGO - May 12, 1938.

Miss Carrie Wright was re-elected superintendent of schools for two years at \$2400 a year.

Rev and Mrs P J Clifford were given a farewell party at the Methodist Church.

Gould Academy lost to Livermore Falls by a 9-8 score in a 10 inning game.

Principal Philip B Bayles of Gould Academy was elected president of the School Masters' Club of Oxford County.

Death Harold C King.

28 YEARS AGO - May 18, 1920.

The town tax book was committed to collector Leslie E Davis with a commitment of \$100,000.

There was an increase of \$7,000 in property valuation that year and the tax rate went up two mills to 44.

Because of the continuous abuse of the dumping privilege Herman Meach closed his premises to the public.

Work was started on an addition to Crockett's Garage.

At a special town meeting it was voted to build a new school house at East Bethel at an estimated cost of \$5,100 and to hire \$5,000 for the purpose.

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

The American Legion Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs F I French on Tuesday evening May 11.

It was reported that the members made sandwiches to feed the men searching for Fred Kilgore in Newry, May 3-4. The committees for the May 13 beans are: refreshments, Mrs Gladys Bean and Mrs Raymond Dexter. Prizes, Mrs John Compas.

It was voted to send the following delegates to Bangor to state convention on June 18-19-20: Mrs Errol Donahue, Mrs A Dan Forbes, Mrs Gladys Bean. Alternates: Mrs Raymond Dexter, Mrs Frances Bennett, and Mrs Wilfred Baker.

Mrs Errol Donahue reported on the trip to Togus on May 9. Those making the trip were Raymond Dexter, Mrs Fred Wheeler, Mrs Roy Bennett, Mr and Mrs Philip Days, Mr and Mrs John Compas, Mrs Frances Bennett, Mrs Gladys Bean, Roderick McMILLIN, Mrs Ann Bartlett, Mrs Sidney Chapman, Mrs A Dan Forbes and Mrs Errol Donahue.

Candy and Cigarettes were taken to Togus.

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GOULD EXHIBITS

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A great deal of time and effort has been spent in making this exhibition one of the best and the Manual Arts students are anxious for a big turn out. A great variety of new and rather different projects have been constructed this year. A visit will be well worth the time.

The Science laboratories will hold open house both afternoon and evening with students performing interesting demonstration experiments in the fields of electricity, sound, light, mechanics, and chemistry.

The Home Economics department will exhibit work done by its classes and serve tea at the cottage from 3:30 to 5:00.

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Local Legion Auxiliary Plans Poppy Distribution on May 29

Many women and girls of Bethel have volunteered to distribute memorial poppies on the streets here on Poppy Day, Saturday, May 29. Mrs Adeline Dexter, Poppy Chairman of George A Mundt Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary, has announced.

All will serve without pay so that the entire amount of the contributions made in exchange for the poppies can go to the rehabilitation and child welfare funds of the Legion and Auxiliary, Mrs Dexter said.

The volunteers are members of the American Legion Auxiliary. Divided into teams and assigned to various locations in the town, the volunteers will be on the streets from early morning until night offering poppies to be worn in honor of the war dead and receiving contributions for the welfare of disabled veterans and needy children of veterans. Poppies for this observance have been made by disabled veterans at Togus, Maine.

It is hoped everyone will understand the public-spirited service being given by our volunteers on Poppy Day. Their only reward for the

hours of hard and unaccustomed effort will be to see the poppies being worn in honoring remembrance of those who died for America, and to know that the contributions they collect will help make life easier for the war disabled and dependent families during the year ahead.

We all should be highly grateful to them for bringing us this opportunity to honor the dead and the war's living victims.

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